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SUBJ: GUATEMALAN NARCOTICS LAW

REF: A) STATE 76617, (B) STATE 96108, (C) GUATEMALA 1912

1. AMENDMENTS TO GUATEMALA NARCOTICS LAW SIGNED INTO
LAW BY PRESIDENT LAUGERUD ON MARCH 31 AND ENTERED INTO
FORCE ON APRIL 27. COPY BEING POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT UNDER
COVER OF AIRGRAM.

2. REF B PICKED UP FROM REF C STATEMENT THAT "GUATEMALAN
LAW MAKES NO DISTINCTION BETWEEN TRAFFICKING AND POSSESSION."
THIS WAS CORRECT PRIOR TO APRIL 27. AMENDED LAW INTRODUCES
A DISTINCTION, AND IN OUR VIEW A USEFUL ONE: OFFENDERS
INVOLVED IN INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING MAY AT JUDGE'S DIS-
CRETION BE GIVEN A PRISON SENTENCE AND IF SO THEY CANNOT
PAY OFF THE SENTENCE AT SO MUCH PER DAY, AS THEY COULD
PREVIOUSLY. NARCOTICS OFFENDERS WHO ARE ARRESTED
FOR SIMPLE POSSESSION AND ARE NOT INVOLVED IN INTER-
NATIONAL TRAFFICKING CANNOT BE GIVEN MANDATORY JAIL
SENTENCES.

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